<u>In the Claims</u>:

Please amend claims 1 and 8-9 and cancel claims 5-7 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An information management system for managing an execution record of information processing, comprising:

a first storage unit;

a second storage unit storing the execution ~~records~~<u>record</u> at a lower speed than ~~by~~ said first storage unit;

an acquisition unit storing the execution ~~records~~<u>record</u> in said first storage unit and said second storage unit;

an output unit referring to the execution record on said first storage unit or said second storage unit, and outputting the execution record to a predetermined output destination;~~and~~

<u>an assigning module assigning an identification number to the execution record stored on said first storage unit;</u>

<u>a reading module referring to an identification number of the execution record outputted by said output unit;</u>

<u>a comparing module comparing the identification number assigned to the execution record with the identification number of the execution record outputted by said output unit and checking an excess and a deficiency of the execution record, based on the comparing;</u>

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a switching unit dynamically switching over the reference source of the execution record for said output unit between said first storage unit and said second storage unit-unit, based on the checking by the comparing module.

2.   (Original)   An information management system according to claim 1, wherein the execution record is a journal outputted by a transaction system.

3.   (Original)   An information management system according to claim 1, further comprising a monitoring unit monitoring a state of use of said first storage unit.

4.   (Original)   An information management system according to claim 3, wherein said monitoring unit includes a determining unit determining the reference source of the execution record for said output unit in accordance with the state of use of said first storage unit, and

said switching unit includes a switching module dynamically switching over the reference source of the execution record for said output unit on the basis of said determining unit.

5-7.   (Cancelled)

8.　(Currently Amended)　An information management method of managing an execution record of information processing, comprising:

storing the execution record on a first storage unit;

storing the execution record on a second storage unit at a lower speed than by said first storage unit;

referring to the execution record on said first storage unit or said second storage unit, and outputting the execution record to a predetermined output destination; ~~and~~

assigning an identification number to the execution record stored on said first storage unit;

referring to an identification number of the execution record outputted;

comparing the identification number of the execution record outputted by said output unit and checking an excess and a deficiency of the execution record, based on the comparing;

dynamically switching over the reference source for said output unit between said first storage unit and said second storage ~~unit.~~unit, based on the checking.

9.　(Currently Amended)　A storage medium stored program for making a computer execute a management of an execution record of information processing, comprising:

storing the execution record on a first storage unit;

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storing the execution record on a second storage unit at a lower speed than ~~by~~ said first storage unit;

referring to the execution record on said first storage unit or said second storage unit, and outputting the execution record to a predetermined output destination; ~~and~~

assigning an identification number to the execution record stored on said first storage unit;

referring to an identification number of the execution record outputted;

comparing the identification number assigned to the execution record with the identification number of the execution record outputted by said output unit and checking an excess and a deficiency of the execution record, based on the comparing;

dynamically switching over the reference source for said output unit between said first storage unit and said second storage unit~~,~~ based on the checking.